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## FIVE INDICTED AS A RESULT OF SPY PLOT PROBE

Charged with Attempting to Ship Contraband Rubber to German Government.

THREE PLOTS RELATED  
West Side Politician Managed Rubber Conspiracy, Bomb Plot, and Thefts, Charge.

ALLEGED FIRE BUG CAUGHT  
Spy Responsible for Steel Plant Blaze Reported Captured—Neutrality Squad Frustrates Plans.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
New York, Jan. 14.—These were the big developments today in the international spy plot investigation:

First—A woman and four men, including a relative of one of the most important officials of the Deutsche Bank of Berlin, were indicted by the Federal grand jury. They are charged with conspiracy to violate the customs laws in an attempt to ship contraband rubber to the German government.

Second—Department of Justice officials received information apparently establishing the identity of the spy responsible for the \$4,000,000 fire in the Bethlehem Steel plant on November 16. The steamship Vauuban, which arrives tomorrow or Monday, is expected to bring the full story of the spy's arrest on the high seas by the British.

Third—An inter-relationship between the rubber conspiracy, the Fay bomb plot and New Jersey thefts of goods intended for the allies was established. This through the discovery that a West Side politician was an agent of all three groups.

Face Two Years Apiece.  
The five indicted in the rubber plot face jail sentences of two years each and fines of \$10,000 apiece. They are:

Edward Weber, cousin of Albert Weber, chief of the rubber department of the Deutsche Bank, official repository of the German government; Paul Schmidt, partner with Weber in the Rubber and Guayule Agency, Inc., 108 West street; Max Jaeger, a German automobile manufacturer; Richard Wohlberg, a cement and rubber manufacturer of the Bronx, and Mrs. Annie Dekkers, a native of Holland.

"The scheme complained of was put into operation last fall," said Assistant United States Attorney Harold A. Content.

"Jaeger came to this country then. Before he left the Fatherland he had been told by Ferdinand Frank, head of the German Automobile Company, that he could make a great deal of money by secretly shipping rubber to Germany.

"The proposition was submitted to Albert Weber at the Deutsche Bank. Jaeger was given a letter of introduction to Edward Weber. Edward Weber and his partner, Schmidt, refused for business reasons to sell rubber direct to Jaeger. They referred Jaeger to Wohlberg, who has a business in the Bronx.

Officials "Tipped Off."  
"Wohlberg was persuaded to take part in the conspiracy," Mr. Content said. "It was thought best to employ women runners to get the stuff through. Four and one-half tons of rubber was purchased."

"Mrs. Dekker, a Holland woman, and an experienced ocean voyager, was entrusted into the conspiracy. Part of the rubber was stored in four trunks and eight packing cases and Mrs. Dekker attempted to sail from Hoboken on November 27 last on the Holland-American liner Ryndam.

"She was to meet a man with a white carnation in his lapel at Rotterdam. This man was to see that the rubber got through to Germany. But the plans of the conspirators were frustrated by Collector Malone's neutrality squad, who had been 'tipped off' by British agents. Other arrests in the case are expected."

Germans Would Increase Tax.  
Berlin, (via Sayville wireless, Jan. 14.—The bill introduced in the Prussian Diet providing for a super-income tax increases the tax on incomes over \$25,000 approximately 100 per cent. The increases are graded down to eight per cent. No tax is imposed upon those whose incomes are classified as "low." Count Armin Bittenburg has been elected president of the upper house; Prince Salm has been chosen vice president, and Count Eulenburg Passen secretary.

Night Riders Sentenced.  
Lexington, Ky., Jan. 14.—A. O. Knight, his son, Edgar, and George Strisman today were sentenced to five years' imprisonment for taking part in night rider raids. According to a confession, the members of the band plotted their loyalty on an altar of pistols.

Mine Victims Recovered.  
Gravesend, Eng., Jan. 14.—The Dutch steamer Prince Juliana arrived today bringing the bodies of the captain and seven members of the crew of the Dutch steamship Maasheven, which was abandoned on fire after striking a mine in the North Sea.

## Would Aid Carranza by Loan and U. S. Officers

Representative Fred A. Britten, of Illinois, last night proposed an American loan to Carranza and the negotiating of a treaty for the cession to the United States of Lower California as a means of settling the Mexican question.

"I would favor advancing Carranza any reasonable sum up to \$20,000,000," Representative Britten said, "with which to pay his troops and police, as well as to purchase munitions. I would even go so far as to assign our military officers to assist Mexican soldiers in bringing about a state of peace.

"In exchange for our gold and munitions, I would negotiate a treaty with Carranza for the ceding to the United States of Lower California with its wonderful opportunity for a naval base at Magdalena Bay."

## FOUR CAUGHT IN SPY PROBE

Germans Said to Have Escaped from Interned Warships Arrived on Suspicion.

TWO EMPLOYED ON U. S. BOAT NEAR ARMY COAST DEFENSE

Other Two Lived Within Stone's Throw of Du Pont Powder Works at Wilmington.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
Wilmington, Del., Jan. 14.—Four Germans, all members of the German navy who are said to have escaped from German warships interned in United States waters, were arrested here today by Federal agents. Two of the Germans were employed on a United States dredge boat which was engaged in work upon coast fortifications.

The men arrested gave the following names: Karl Artmann, Karl Klatstein, Fred Kruger and Karl Ehrmann. Artmann and Klatstein were at work upon the dredge when Federal warrants were served upon them. Ehrmann and Kruger were employed at the Bancroft textile mills and lived at a boarding house known as Bancroft Hall, which is within a stone's throw of the Hagley yards plant of the du Pont Powder Works.

The arrests were made by William O. Crimmins and Harvey Davis, following an investigation which is thought to have been inspired by the numerous explosions at the du Pont powder factory.

Originally the Federal authorities had only one warrant, but further investigation revealed the fact that there were at least four Germans in this neighborhood who were wanted for breaking their parole and fleeing from interned German warships. Three more warrants were received, and after the arrests the men were taken to Gloucester City, N. J.

The dredge upon which Artmann and Klatstein were employed was doing work upon Fort du Pont, a United States coast defense.

MEXICANS KILL FATHER TOO.

Bodies of Son and Parent Horribly Mutilated. Mother Missing.

El Paso, Jan. 14.—R. D. Kramer, an American and father of Bart Kramer, who was killed by Villista bandits this week in the Guerrero district, was murdered at the same time as his son, according to refugees arriving here tonight. Two sons, Joseph and Roy, escaped with an American, Locke, going into the Minacho district.

The bodies of both the Kramers are reported to have been terribly mutilated. Nothing has been heard of Mrs. Kramer, wife and mother of the murdered men, since she left for Guerrero a week ago.

ZUIDER ZEE DIKE BREAKS.

Most of Northern Holland in Danger of Being Flooded.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14.—The Zuider Zee Diike at Katwoude has broken and Zuidpolder is under water, according to the Telegram. The inhabitants of Zuidpolder have fled to Edam, which is partly under water.

The dike protecting Polderzevang is reported to be in danger of breaking. It is reported that the greater portion of Northern Holland would become inundated.

AUSTRIAN CRUISER SUNK.

French submarine Foucault Credited With Exploit by Italians.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.  
Paris, Jan. 14.—The French submarine Foucault attacked and sank an Austrian cruiser, near Cattaro, says the official statement issued by the war office tonight.

The information was received from the Italian navy ministry, says the statement.

Bombard German Trenches.

London, Jan. 14.—British headquarters report: "In the region of Givenchy today we bombarded the German trenches, damaging the parapets. There was reciprocal artillery fighting in the neighborhood of Kilmal and of Hill No. 60."

## WATERBURY NOW IN CELL

Alleged Seller of Gridiron Club Memberships Caught.

HUNTED BY POLICE OF EVERY LARGE CITY IN U. S.

Has Been Arrested a Number of Times Before on Charges of Securing Money Fraudulently.

Jules Waterbury, the man who has attained country-wide fame as the alleged seller of "fake" membership cards to the famous Gridiron Club, who has been sentenced to prison for fraud, and who has been hunted by the police of every large city in the United States, and every detective agency in the country, was arrested in Montreal, Canada, last night.

The Gridiron Club, which is composed of noted newspaper correspondents, is one of the most celebrated and exclusive clubs in the world. Jules Waterbury, under that name, or under various aliases, has traveled throughout the United States disposing of life, or annual membership cards to this club.

His activity in this direction has caused his arrest twice before last night. Some time ago he was arrested and, after a sensational trial, was sentenced to serve eight months in the Federal prison at Atlanta. Several months ago he was arrested at Dayton, Ohio, under the alias of Stevens, but despite the unceasing work of the former president of the club, E. C. Snyder, of the Omaha Bee, was eventually released.

A never ending list of "dupes" showed that Waterbury worked his way to the Pacific Coast gradually. Exhausting the field in the West, Waterbury worked back to the East and next came into prominence when, it is said, he was indicted in New York for forgery. It is said that he cashed a check in New York purporting to be signed by the president of the club. The check, in reality, was signed "Simoneon G. Blythe," while the name of the president is Samuel G. Blythe.

It is estimated that during his activity Waterbury has obtained sums ranging from \$2,000 to \$15,000. The cards were sold for \$100 and \$200 each.

Merchant Robbed At Point of Gun

Two Negroes Get \$10, but Don't Notice Safe Containing More.

As John A. Clark, a storekeeper, 215 Fifth street northeast turned to comply with a request for candy made by two negroes last night he looked into the muzzle of a big revolver and was ordered to "put his hands up." Half paralyzed with the suddenness of the command and the threatening attitude of the men, the proprietor quickly obeyed.

While one of the negroes kept the storekeeper covered, the other ransacked the cash register, securing about \$10 in cash. Evidently fearing they would be interrupted if an extended search for money was made, the burglars did not even look for a small safe, in which Clark had just placed the proceeds of the sales during the day.

VANDERLIP HEAVILY INSURED.

Banker Joins Financiers Carrying Policies of More Than Million.

New York, Jan. 14.—Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City Bank, has joined the circle of prominent business men who carry life insurance policies exceeding \$1,000,000.

The late Thomas L. Shevlin, of Minneapolis, was the most heavily insured young man in this country, the total of his policies amounting to \$1,525,000. The total insurance paid as a result of the sinking of the Titanic was less than the Shevlin loss.

WRECK BULGARIAN TRENCHES.

French Aviators Acquit Themselves Outside Saloniki Entrenchments.

London, Jan. 14.—A French air squadron has sailed out of the allies' entrenchments at Saloniki and wrecked the first line of Bulgarian trenches, says an Athens dispatch. Many Bulgarian soldiers were killed and wounded. As a further bar to the advance of the Bulgarian armies, French engineers have blown up two more railway bridges over the Struma River.

The allies continue to land forces at Svonika and at Orfano Bay, fifty miles to the northeast, says a Sofia dispatch. They have completed their second line of defense.

Gen. Rodriguez on Trial.

Guzman, Chihuahua (via El Paso), Jan. 14.—A court-martial of Gen. Jose Rodriguez, the Villa officer captured on Wednesday near Madera, Chihuahua, by Carranza troops, is in progress today at Madera, according to official advices, which passed through here this afternoon. There is little doubt that Rodriguez will be sentenced to death.

Cold Weather Limits Fighting.

London, Jan. 14.—The terrible weather which prevails over Northwestern Europe has limited the military activity on the western front to minor artillery engagements.

Ten Steel Mills Planned.

Youngstown, Ohio, Jan. 14.—The United States Steel Corporation today announced that it would spend \$7,000,000 on the construction of ten bar mills at McDonald, near Grand. Work will be started April 1.

## Herald's Guarantee of Full Money's Worth Indorsed

Advertising Vigilance Committee Commends Newspapers of the National Capital for Aid in Fight on "Fake" Advertisements—Complaint Committee Appointed.

Text of the Resolution Adopted by Advertising Vigilance Committee

"Resolved, That we extend to the newspapers of Washington our thanks for the publicity they have given to this movement against 'fake' advertising and that the secretary be instructed to so advise these four newspapers; that the letter to THE WASHINGTON HERALD include our commendation of the spirit shown by that newspaper in taking it upon itself to guarantee to its readers full money's worth on all selling prices quoted by local merchants in their display advertising columns, as first announced on January 1, 1916; and advertised at the top of their front page every day for the readers' protection."

Representatives of ten citizens' associations in the District and five members of the Retail Merchants' Association were named last night as an investigating committee to consider complaints against persons who use improper advertising. The committee was selected by a nominating committee, consisting of Dr. L. D. Walter, J. Clinton Hiett, Horace R. George, L. W. Thompson and M. A. Lease, at a meeting of the advertising vigilance committee of the Retail Merchants' Association, at which Joseph Berberich presided.

The investigating committee will consist of Martin J. McNamara, of the Central Citizens' Association; A. J. Driscoll, of the Mid-City Citizens' Association; J. Clinton Hiett, of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association; Arthur Copeland, of the Chevy Chase Citizens' Association; Dr. Lyman F. Kehler, of the Department of Agriculture; J. Bond Smith, of the Takoma Park Citizens' Association; Dr. L. D. Walters, of the Northeast Washington Citizens' Association; J. Hadley Doyle, of the Georgetown Citizens' Association; Horace R. George, of the Park View Citizens' Association; E. F. Colladay, president of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, and Joseph Berberich, Julius Lansburgh, M. A. Lease, Washington Topham and Sidney West, of the Retail Merchants' Association.

All complaints received against merchants who misrepresent facts in advertising will be referred to this body and the committee will investigate and report its findings to the advertising vigilance committee, after which, if it is found that

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## Country Policeman Scores For State In Mohr Trial

"Barrington Police Force" Tells of Frank Confession by Two Negro Boys—Damaging Testimony Unshaken by Lengthy Cross-examination.

By SOPHIE TREADWELL.  
Providence, Jan. 14.—A country policeman today proved the most impressive witness the State has yet produced in the trial of Elizabeth F. Mohr, accused of hiring the two negro boys who are on trial with her to murder her husband, Dr. Franklin Mohr, on the night of August 1.

Dr. Mohr was ambushed and murdered about a mile from the little town of Barrington, which is about ten miles from Providence on the road to Newport. One of the first persons to reach the scene of the crime was the village chief of police, Thomas E. Robbins.

Robbins is known as "The Barrington Police Force," as the town's entire service is made up of the chief, his bicycle, and his pet bloodhound, "Rhoda."

Chief Robbins said he learned of the crime just a few minutes after 9 o'clock. Question—Did you give any instructions to the police here?

Answer—Yes, the next morning between 8 and 9 o'clock, I called up the chief and told him Heals (the chauffeur) had confessed and I directed him to arrest Brown for the actual murder of Dr. Mohr. The next morning I went to Providence, where Brown and Spellman were confronted by Heals. Chief O'Neill asked Brown: "Is it true, Brown, that Mrs. Mohr promised to give you \$2,000 to

kill Dr. Mohr; that she would set you up in the garage business; that she would give you \$500 extra if there was any money left; that she sent you to Boston to buy a revolver on Beach street?" And Brown said that it was true.

It was established that Mrs. Mohr was not present, and the court instructed the jury that this testimony could not be used against her.

Q—Did the negroes say anything on the way to Warren for arraignment?

A—Yes, I said to them, "what did you do with the gun?" And they said if they were near the place they could tell where they threw it away; so I told the chauffeur to drive to Washington Road to the scene of the shooting.

I opened the door of the car and said, "You fellows get out and show me how you made your escape." They got out and jumped over a barbed wire fence and went through the woods to Echo Lake until Spellman said, "right here it was I threw my gun." Then I asked Brown where he had thrown his gun. He pointed to a spot across the pond on Lake Drive and said it was there.

Cross examination that lasted almost all day was not able to shake the testimony of the village chief nor to destroy anything of the impression it created of simple common sense and honesty.

Jury Gives "Dearie" \$2,500 Damages for Lingering Kiss From Wealthy Engineer

Special to The Washington Herald.

New York, Jan. 14.—For a short kiss and a lingering kiss which were given to her against her will, and to pay for the distress of two nights in Harlem prison, Miss Lillian Conklin, a governess, was today awarded \$2,500 damages by a jury in Supreme Court, where she brought suit for \$50,000 damages against George R. Kaufman, a wealthy mining engineer associated with the Guzenheims.

Kaufman, who formerly lived at 440 Riverside Drive, where the girl declared he forced the kisses upon her, will receive the news of the verdict on a sick bed in Oakland, Cal., where he is said to be dangerously ill.

Describing her first meeting with Kaufman, the girl said:

"He called me 'dearie' and it dazed me. He sat me on his lap and called me 'dearie' again, and said a pretty girl like me should not be looking for housework. He said I could have anything I was so pretty—and money and automobiles would be at my disposal.

"He gave me one short kiss and then a lingering kiss," she explained. "It was the first time I had ever been kissed by a man."

TURK PLOT HALTED.  
Germans Prevent Revolutionary Up-rising in Constantinople.

Paris, Jan. 14.—A dispatch from Saloniki, to the Temps this afternoon, says that a great revolutionary plot in Constantinople was foiled by German detectives. The object of the plot, it is said, was to kill Enver Pasha, overthrow the government and expel all the Germans.

A number of high Turkish officers are said to have been involved in the plot. The police guard has been doubled. In some quarters it is believed that the story of the plot was invented by the Germans to increase police efficiency.

Men Executed; Women and Children Drowned by Turks.

London, Jan. 14.—The massacre of 1,500 more Armenians in December was reported in a telegram received today by Viscount Bryce from Erzurum.

The telegram stated that the 1,500 Armenian men, women and children, forced by famine and cold to surrender, gave themselves up to the Turkish governor of Mush.

The men were executed and the women and children drowned in the Euphrates.

The Menace Wins.

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 14.—The publishers of the Menace, an anti-Roman Catholic newspaper, charged with sending improper matter through the United States mails, today were found "not guilty," by a jury in the Federal Court here.

## Gen. Eulalio Gutierrez, Mexican Chief, Executed

Special to The Washington Herald.  
El Paso, Jan. 14.—Gen. Eulalio Gutierrez, formerly Provisional President of Mexico under Villa, is dead.

Dispatches received today state that he was executed at Pachuca, 120 miles north of Mexico City, on January 6, after having been found guilty of treason to the anti-Carranza party.

The dispatch says that Gen. Jose Rodriguez, Villa's chief aid, was shot soon after his capture with Almeida. The latter's execution was confirmed.

Reports received by officers of the Northwestern Railroad say Rodriguez is still alive. The Carranza counsel, Garcia, officially reports the execution, but railway reports that a court martial is in progress and that Rodriguez will probably be executed tomorrow.

## STUBS MAY HIT GERMAN ENVOY

Von Papen Papers Said to Show Payments to Plotters.

MADE LARGE AND FREQUENT PAYMENTS, IT IS ALLEGED

One Check on Riggs Bank for \$700 to Werner Horn—Ambassador Will Not Comment.

London, Jan. 14.—The American Embassy today is in possession of papers and check stubs which were seized by British officials from Capt. Franz von Papen, German military attaché, when he reached Plymouth.

It is understood that the documents will be sent to the State Department in Washington.

The papers and check stubs are said to show that the former German military attaché in the United States made large and frequent payments to persons who are charged with blowing up bridge and ammunition plants.

Payment of \$700 was made by Capt. von Papen to Werner Horn, according to the stubs. Horn was convicted of blowing up the Canadian Pacific bridge at St. Louis, Mo.

Had Riggs Bank Account.

The check stubs show about 500 items. The checking account was with the Riggs National Bank at Washington, D. C.

Washington officials are intensely interested in the disclosures about the bank books, check stubs and letters taken from Capt. Von Papen.

Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, returned to Washington last evening, but he had no comment to make.

If it can be shown from these records that the German Ambassador had knowledge of illegal and improper use of money by Capt. Von Papen it would present a serious situation.

It was pointed out, however, that Count Von Bernstorff has kept his record absolutely clear thus far and many in Washington were inclined to doubt whether the evidence would connect him directly with any improper activities by Von Papen.

## KAISER MAY UNDERGO OPERATION TOMORROW

American Surgeon Will Conduct It, Says Hawas Agency Dispatch Received in Paris.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Jan. 14.—Kaiser Wilhelm, of Germany, will undergo another operation Sunday at the hands of an American surgeon, according to a Hawas News Agency dispatch.

Conflicting statements as to the affliction of the Kaiser were made here today. Dr. Metchnikoff, declared that, when an operation was performed upon the Kaiser's throat three years ago, he was told by the German surgeon that there was no trace of cancer.

Dr. Leon Delair, inventor of the artificial larynx, says he was approached by the German Ambassador to France three years ago and asked if he could furnish the Kaiser with one of his inventions. Upon being asked the nature of the Kaiser's malady the Ambassador replied, "cancer."

Geneva, Jan. 14.—It is said that the Kaiser has a high fever and is very weak, but continues to make public appearances in order to give the impression that he is not an extremely sick man.

Want \$75,000,000 Capitalization.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 14.—Application was made here this afternoon by officials of the United Fruit Company to increase the capitalization from \$5,000,000 to \$75,000,000, divided into 750,000 shares of \$100 per value each. The company has 25,932 shares outstanding at the present time.

Ford Trip Costs \$360,000.

The Hague, Jan. 14.—The trip of the Ford peace party, including passage home, will cost Henry Ford at least \$360,000, it was said today by Gaston Flinck, business manager of the expedition.

Baltimore and Ohio to Baltimore.

11:30 round trip every Saturday and Sunday; good returning until 9 a. m. Monday.—Adv.

## BREACH BETWEEN WHITE HOUSE AND SENATE OVER MEXICO BECOMES WIDER

Upper Chamber Clamors for Intervention While Cabinet Decides to Continue Present "Watchful Waiting" Policy

## ASKS SUPPORT FOR WILSON

Senator Stone Cries, "For God's Sake Give Carranza a Chance"—Army Unprepared to Enter Mexico, Declare Experts—Lansing Warns Against Raids.

The breach between the administration and the United States Senate over Mexico widened yesterday.

The President and his Cabinet met and decided to continue the administration policy of inactivity and depend on Gen. Carranza to punish the murderers of American citizens.

In the Senate, however, there was another break of indignation and demand for intervention. This became so threatening that Senator Stone, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and administration spokesman, pleaded with his colleagues to support the President.

"For God's sake, give Carranza a chance," he cried in a speech on the floor.

## TEXANS PLAN AN INVASION

Call to Arms Issued for Mexican Expedition to Avenge Massacred Americans.

By JOHN W. ROBERTS.

Special to The Washington Herald.  
El Paso, Tex., Jan. 14.—Despite the nonintervention attitude of the Washington administration, a secret movement has been launched here for the organization of an expedition to invade Mexico.

Thoroughly aroused over the continued killing of Americans by Mexican bandits, a number of Americans living on the border have declared they will take affairs into their own hands.

A petition calling for volunteers is being circulated. It was said that more than 1,500 signatures have already been secured.

Practically all who have enrolled have volunteered to furnish their own outfits. The lists include many prominent residents of El Paso as well as ranchmen and former members of the Texas Rangers.

Fearing arrest by the Federal authorities on the charge of plotting a military enterprise against a country at peace with the United States the men involved in this movement refuse to give out the names of the volunteers.

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